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**INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**21 June 1956**

**MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Liaison Division, OCR**

**SUBJECT : Release of NIE 100-5-56, "Chinese Communist Capabilities in the Taiwan Straits Area and Probable Courses of Action Over the Next Six Months," [REDACTED]**

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1. The Intelligence Advisory Committee at its meeting on 8 June 1956 authorized the release of NIE 100-5-56 [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] subject to the following deletions:

- a. Footnote to the heading immediately above paragraph 13 on page 4
- b. Paragraph 13
- c. Annex C

2. You are also requested to substitute a copy of the attached map, which has been sanitized to remove certain data regarding Nationalist Chinese troop strength, for the map appearing after page 7, in all copies of this estimate released to any foreign government.

3. CIA is the executive agent for this dissemination. Please apply pertinent security regulations, including those protecting intelligence sources and methods.

4. It will be appreciated if you will notify this office of the date the dissemination is made.

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**Secretary**

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Enclosure. Fifty copies of Map No. 24172 5456  
"East China and the Taiwan Straits Area" (Secret)

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